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Chief, Documents Division, OGR

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Chief, School of International Communism
and the USSR

Request for Documents

1. It is requested that the School of International Communism and the USSR, OTR, be placed on your regular distribution list for the following documents:

Rumania (Bucharest)
Hungary (Budapest)
Bulgaria (Sofia)
Czech (Prague)
Poland (Warsaw)
E. Ger. (Berlin)

a. All incoming State Department and United States Information Agency telegrams, cables, and despatches from Hong Kong, Moscow and East European posts concerning Communist China.

b. All outgoing State and USIA communications with Communist China as the subject.

The above requests do not pertain to documents of operational or administrative matters peculiar to the two agencies mentioned.

c. All WEEKAs, political and economic - Hong Kong.

d. Survey of China Mainland Press and the Current Background Series. 4 copies 25X1

e. All available [redacted] 25X1

2. This material is to be used by instructors in SIC for background briefing and in the preparation of lectures.

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Re para. 1.a. and 1.b.:

Approximately 9,500 State and USIA Incoming and Outgoing cables per month would have to be read for OTR interest. DD/I offices as well as other Agency components have a vital interest in cables concerning Communist China which means that no copy is available for OTR. Copies would have to be thermofaxed to meet the needs of OTR. This broad OTR requirement would not only add an additional workload to the Cable Analysts, but would slow down the cable service to the operating offices of CIA.

(Approximately 10 cables per day are received concerning Communist China. We should like to point out however, that should the "Offshore Islands" situation erupt again, the number would greatly increase and we would be unable to service this requirement.)

Re Para. 1.c.:

Weekas average 8 - 10 pages in length. Present Agency interest in Hong Kong Weekas accounts for all available copies for distribution. Reproduction of an additional copy of each Weekas for OTR is out of the question. We are however, willing to add OTR to the routing of these Weekas.

GENERAL: We are in no position to accept the additional workload involved in servicing the proposed OTR requirement except in placing OTR on routing for Hong Kong Weekas. We feel that by accepting this questionable requirement, our operating efficiency would be greatly reduced during an international crisis.